



**UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Tilmann Lorenz et al  
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Title: LINEN TREATMENT DEVICE WITH IMBALANCE  
MONITORING, LEVEL MONITORING OR LOAD  
MONITORING

**Response**

The present application is an application entered in the national stage from an international application in compliance with 35 USC §371. Applicants have previously made a claim for priority to both German Patent Application No. DE 101 39 388.1 filed August 10, 2001 and International Application No. PCT/EP02/08840 filed August 7, 2002. Applicants are hereby submitting a Supplemental Declaration claiming priority to both DE 101 39 388.1 and International Application No. PCT/EP02/08840.

This submission is being made during the pendency of this application, in accordance with 37 CFR §1.55(a)(1)(ii).

If the Examiner has any questions regarding this response, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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